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TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle 1916 in Grossenhain

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) 1916 in Grossenhain was located in the former Husaren Kaserne on Karl-Liebkecht-Strasse and Elsterwerdaer Strasse. Prior to 1 April 1951, an upper story was added to the stables of the installation and were to be used as quarters. A medical supply point was newly established.
2. The VPD numbered, 1,470 police, including about 250 officers. It was organized into a headquarters, 4 Kommandos, 7 Sonderabteilungen, 1 motor transport Abteilung and 1 guard Zug.
3. Officers of the VPD included VP Kommandeur Gebauer, (fnu), commanding officer, who was formerly director of the criminal police in Goerlitz; VP Kommandeur Heinz Wellner, PK officer; VP Kommandeur Engelke, (fnu), director of training; VP Rat Ackermann, (fnu), administrative officer; VP Oberrat Meinke, (fnu), chief of staff; VP Oberrat Petzsche, (fnu), technical officer; VP Oberrat Donath, (fnu), SSD (State Security Service) officer; and four Sovietniks who, wearing VP uniforms, supervised the PK, artillery, armored and infantry training.
4. The VPD was equipped with 1 T-34 tank, 1 SP gun, 1 armored reconnaissance car, 1 track-laying ammunition carrier, 2 AT guns, 1 x 88-mm AA gun, 2 heavy field howitzers and 10 mortars. There were not enough infantry arms sufficient for the entire unit, a considerable number of them being unserviceable.
5. Motor vehicles of the unit included 1 tank truck, 1 Mercedes delivery van, 1 old BMW, 2 Opel sedans and the following vehicles:

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25X1B Trucks

[Redacted] (Mercedes-Diesel)  
 [Redacted] (Chevrolet)  
 [Redacted] (Opel-Blitz)  
 [Redacted] (Opel-Elitz)  
 [Redacted] (Mercedes-Diesel)  
 [Redacted] (ZIS)  
 [Redacted] (ZIS)  
 [Redacted] (prime mover)  
 [Redacted] (ZIS)  
 [Redacted] (Ford)  
 [Redacted] (ZIS)  
 [Redacted] (ambulance)

25X1B Sedans

[Redacted] (Opel)  
 [Redacted] (Opel, 1.2 liter)  
 [Redacted] (Volkswagen)  
 [Redacted] (Wanderer)  
 [Redacted] (Wanderer)  
 [Redacted] (Mercedes)  
 [Redacted] (Opel)  
 [Redacted] (BMW)  
 [Redacted] (Opel, 1.2 liter)  
 [Redacted] (BMW)  
 [Redacted] (BMW)  
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The 1st Sonderabteilung had 20 motorcycles and the motor transport Abteilung 3 motorcycles. \*

- 6. The police of the 1st Sonderabteilung received technical training with motorcycles, those of the 2d Sonderabteilung training in line construction and operation, and those of the 7th Sonderabteilung instruction on motors. The training area of VPD 1916 is located between Kleinraschuetz, Wildenhain and Skassa.

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25X1A\* [Redacted] Comment. All motor vehicle [Redacted] are reported for the first time. However, since they are other than those reported from other [Redacted] in use with the Volkspolizei, the report seems credible. It appears that motor vehicle [Redacted] allocated by the IVA haphazardly.

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